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## The Education of the Parrot.

To teach a parrot to talk it is never necessary to place the poor bird in a darkened room or to starve him. Common sense would suggest that he should be made as happy as possible in his surroundings. Give him good food—hemp, maize, oats, biscuit. As a slice of fruit is always beneficial, a bit of apple, of pear, of banana or of carrot will do very well. Also see that your pet has pure drinking water, a large cage, some soft wood to gnaw, with plenty of coarse grit on the floor of the cage, for he needs the small stones to aid his digestion. A parrot in these comfortable circumstances may then be left alone in a room while his teacher conceals himself in another. The teacher, who should be heard, but not seen, should repeat, with infinite patience, over and over again the word or words he wishes his pet to learn. The female parrots do not talk—the female of the song birds, it should be remembered, is not a singer—so that efforts of education in that line are quite thrown away.—Our Animal Friends.

## Cicero.

Cardinal Newman was a master in the art of writing English. In one of his published letters he expressed the following opinion: "As to patterns for imitation, the only master of style I ever had is Cicero. I think I owe a great deal to him and, so far as I know, to no one else." Bishop Wordsworth of St. Andrews, another masterly writer of English, says in his autobiography: "So far as I have derived benefit from any one in the matter of composition it has been from Cicero. I do not underestimate the advantage of a combined study of authors such as Addison, Swift, Bolingbroke, Johnson, Burke, Hume, Gibbon, Macaulay and I may add, Horace Walpole, but I must repeat that I believe I got more good, not only in writing Latin, but for writing English, from reading Cicero and learning him by heart than from any other source."

## Long Flight of the Humming Bird.

That it may have the entire field to itself and escape the keen competition of hosts of tropical relatives for the nectar and minute insects in the deep tubed brilliant flowers that please him best that jeweled atom, the ruby throated humming bird, sole representative of his family east of the Mississippi, travels from Central America or beyond to Labrador and back again every summer of the incessantly active little life. Think what the journey from Yucatan even to New England must mean for a creature so tiny that its outstretched wings measure barely two inches across! It is the smallest bird we have. Wherein lodges the force that propels it through the sky at a speed and a height which take it instantly beyond the range of human vision?—Ladies' Home Journal.

## Lack of Clothing in Uganda.

A lack of clothing was and probably still is the most salient characteristic of the Wa-Kavirondo. "I am afraid you will find them very naked!" said a missionary to me on the borders of their country, and so we did; nothing could have been nakeder. From their walled villages they issued in swarms and crowded round the tents to gaze upon us, monsieur, madame and bebe, without a rag to their names nor a clout between them. Unless indeed a head necklace or a hippopotamus tooth stuck behind the ear could be accounted clothing. An airy, buoyant folk, verily, and to missionary eyes a sad contrast to the semicivilized Waganda, with their greasy draperies of bark cloth.—Cornhill.

## Madagascar's Two Climates.

The island of Madagascar has two distinct climates, two classes of natives and two classes of fauna and flora. The island is about the size of France. Along the coast it is tropical and malarious, and the natives are darker than in the interior. The interior is a high tableland and mountainous. There the climate is cooler and the natives smaller and lighter in color than on the coast. But in the interior they are more intelligent, and they rule the island.

## McSwiney's Gun.

Near Horn Head, County Donegal, Ireland, there is a hole in the rocks called McSwiney's gun. It is on the seacoast and is said to have connection with a cavern. When the wind blows and the sea is at half flood, the wind and the waves enter the cavern and send up jets of water from the "gun" to a height of more than 100 feet. The jets of water are accompanied by explosions which may be heard for miles.

## The Rapid Moving Fly.

The rapidity with which insects travel is astonishing. The common house fly makes 600 strokes per second when in the act of ordinary flight, that number of strokes causing an advance movement of twenty-five feet. Our best naturalists say that this can be increased sevenfold.

## He Was Sorry.

"A man just called, doctor, an ugly fellow, who asked if you were in and said he wanted to give you a horse-whipping."  
"Well, and what did you tell him?"  
"I said I was extremely sorry, but you were not at home!"—Der Dorfbarbier.

## A Good Housekeeper.

Wife—Arthur, we'll have to go with-out breakfast this morning.  
Arthur—Why?  
Wife—The cook's sick.—Woman's Home Companion.

The oldest royal dynasty in the world is that of Japan, which goes back unbroken for 2,000 years.

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## RICE WATER NUTRITIOUS.

## Curious Way Some British Officers Discovered This Fact.

It is probable that few accidental cooks who prepare rice in various forms for diet are aware that in discarding the water in which it is boiled they are wasting what is regarded by the oriental as the most nutritious part of the food. This fact was cursorily proved some years since when a detachment of Europeans and native troops in India found themselves beleaguered in a fort with insufficient rations, even of rice, to enable them to hold out until a force could march to their relief.

It was when the officers were seriously debating this problem that the natives approached them with what was regarded as a curious solution of the difficulty. It proposed the latter, the Europeans took all the rice, then, the natives, would be quite content with the water in which it was boiled. The suggestion, in place of any better, was adopted, when it was remarked that while the Europeans found it difficult to maintain their strength on full rations of rice the natives lost none of their stamina by several weeks' diet on the water. When the proposal was made, the action of the natives was praised as one of great devotion to their superiors, but the sentiment was somewhat mollified when the discovery was made that the natives were quite aware that the principal nourishment lay in the water.

Since that time Europeans in the orient, following the custom of the natives, have given rice water to patients, particularly in cases of cholera, as a last resort when no other food can be retained in the stomach and usually with good results. But the natives always value this water so highly that it is never thrown away.

In fact, it would surprise many cooks to discover how much may be done with this apparently worthless stock. If the rice is cooked in the oriental fashion—that is, boiled only so long that each grain comes out of the pan separate and not as a sodden mass—the water when strained off and permitted to cool will become a jelly approaching the consistency of blanc-mange. To suit the occidental palate the water should be flavored with an extract or otherwise the jelly may have rather an insipid taste.

## Sheep in Varied Clothing.

One of the results of the investigation of a special committee of the Society of Arts into the question of book-binding goes to show that sheepskin is often used by bookbinders under very different names. They found books bound nominally in Levant morocco, hard grain morocco, straight grain morocco, pigskin, calfskin, crocodile and alligator leathers, all of which on close microscopic examination were found to be the ordinary common sheepskin on which had been stamped the special grains and markings of the skins they were got up to imitate. The committee, however, were satisfied that in many cases both the bookbinders and the librarians had bought these leathers under the impression that they were buying the genuine article.—London Globe.

## How Russian Peasants Live.

Most of the Russian peasants pass a great deal of their lives in workshops, where they work, eat and sleep, the same room sheltering a number and probably a pig in the barn room. There are few beds. Instead, all around the four walls of the room is fixed what may be literally described as a bench. It is made of wood, and at this works the peasant by day, and at this he sleeps by night, each man at his own spot. The conditions of the Russian workshop or factory and the Russian prison and military barracks, so far as interior arrangements are concerned, are akin. Chairs there will also be a table, rudely fashioned, as a rule, by the men themselves.—Saturday Review.

## Twentieth Century Medicine.

The twentieth century has almost a free field in medicine. Although much has been accomplished in the treatment of disease, the science is still largely experimental, and in the laboratory a host of discoveries. Perhaps by the time this century is ended there will be a lymph or an antitoxin or some sort of treatment for every ill the flesh is heir to, so that a few vaccinations and other treatments will guarantee immunity for a long period. Then centuries of a man will be young at eighty.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

## Hoped to Strike the Right One.

"Here are half a dozen prescriptions I would like to have you fill as soon as you can," wheezed Rivers.  
"I can see they are all for the cure of a cold," remarked the druggist, looking them over.

"It's this way," explained Rivers. "When I had the other cold, I tried all these. One of 'em cured me, but I can't remember now which one it was."—Chicago Tribune.

## To Be Considered.

"I see that your town has been considering the idea of imposing a tax on bachelors."  
"Yes," answered the young woman, "but we thought it over, and we concluded that the men might be mean enough to take the money to pay it out for what they spend for caramels and theater tickets."—Washington Star.

## A Good Housekeeper.

Lake Baikal's greatest distinction is its size. It is the largest fresh water lake on the Asiatic or the European continent, being 400 miles long and from 16 to 65 miles in width.

Before submitting to the inevitable a wise man takes pains to ascertain that it is the inevitable.—Chicago News.

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## THE SIERRA EXTENSION.

## It Will Be Completed to Angels in a Month.

Work on the Sierra Railway Company's branch line to Angels Camp is progressing rapidly. Last week the Angels Record published the following information concerning the road:

"At present the rails are laid to Carson Hill, and inside of one month the company will be hauling freight here."

"J. S. Bullock, in company with Chief Engineer Newell, were in town this week, and informed the Record that arrangements will be made to build the road to the Ghost mine, at which point they will land all freight, pending the finishing of the cut through the hill at that point to the grounds selected for the station and freight yards. The cut to be made there is the heaviest on the line, as it will necessitate the removal of about 6000 yards of dirt and rock, and will take about two months to complete it."

"It is the intention of the Sierra company to run their trains here so that a great deal of the Yosemite Valley travel will come this way en route to the Big Trees and the Murphys cave. They estimate that during the next season from 1500 to 2000 visitors will be sent through town, the trip from here to the other points being made by stage. This will mean that Angels will reap a great benefit from this travel, and that the visitors will also learn what Angels has to offer in the way of investment in mines. It will advertise this town to the whole world and do a great deal of good."

"The Sierra company is having two new coaches and a combination coach and smoker built especially for travel between here and Stockton. The coaches will be of the latest pattern, with double windows, so that they will virtually be observation cars. This route is conceded to be one of the scenic roads of the world, and will be patronized by sightseers, as well as by regular travel."

"Messrs. Bullock and Newell went from here to the Big Trees, where the former gentleman will take a couple of weeks' rest. It is quite likely that the Big Trees hotel will be taken charge of by the Sierra company after this season, being run in conjunction with the road."

## Don't Be a Knocker.

A Sacramento mercantile firm has the following printed on the reverse side of its business cards:

"If there is any chance to boom business, boom it. Don't be a knocker. Don't pull a long face and get sour in your stomach. Hope a bit. Get a smile on your face. Hold up your head. Get a hold with both hands. Then pull. Bury your hatchet. Drop your tomahawk. Hide your little hammer. When a stranger drops in tell him this is the greatest town on earth. It is. Don't get mulish. Don't roast. Be jolly. Get popular. It's dead easy. Help your self along. Push your friends with you. Soon you will have a whole procession. Be a good fellow. "No man ever helped himself by knocking other people down. No man ever got rich trying to make people believe he was the only good on earth. You can't climb the ladder of fame by stepping on other people's corns. They're their corns. Not yours. And they're tender. Keep off the corns. "All men are not alike. Once in a while you may find one who is very much alike. But some are different. You're not the only short in the wash. If you don't like their style, let 'em alone. Don't knock. You'll get used to it. There's no end of fun in minding your own business. And it makes other people like you better. Better have others stuck on you than get stuck on yourself. Nobody gets stuck on a knocker. Don't be one, or two. Be good, and if you would succeed, don't be a knocker."

## Right Doing.

One's rightful work is often halted by fear of what others will say about it. This may be even more a barrier to the work than the fear of not doing the work at all. It takes courage to do what we believe we ought to do, when we think we shall be criticised or misunderstood or scorned. But the real quality lies in not doing what we ought. Of this it is well to have so strong a fear that we shall have courage to face whatever others may say of our right doing.

## Restaurant Cooks' Fees.

When a cook applies for a place in a restaurant, he says first: "What's the wages?" And after he has learned about the wages he goes on: "Includin' grease?" "Yes," is the answer, or else it is "No," whereupon he resumes: "Includin' bones?" An inquisitive person the other day heard a cook asking these strange questions of a restaurateur, and the inquisitive person inquired, "What on earth did that cook mean?" "He meant that he wished to know if he would get the grease and bones as perquisites," the restaurateur explained. "The waste grease and bones of a big eating house amount in the course of a month to a great deal, you know. Here we get monthly 3,700 pounds of bones, and they all go to the cook. He sells them at a half cent a pound, and thus they add \$450 a week to his salary."—Philadelphia Record.

## Unbearable.

"Now, then, Willie," said Uncle John, "aren't you tired looking at the monkeys?"

"All right," reluctantly replied the boy, who was on his first visit to the zoo. "Now let's go to the place where the organ grinder's cage is."—Philadelphia Press.

## Cut Out the Red.

It is a good thing for a young man to try to make his mark in the world so long as he uses something besides red paint in doing it.—Syracuse Herald.

## Church Notice.

St. Augustine's Mission, room situated on Court street. Services as follows: Every 1st and 3d Sunday, services at 11 a. m. Every 2d and 4th Sunday, services at 7:30 p. m. Sunday school every Sunday at 3 p. m. The Young Peoples' Society of Spiritual Growth will meet every Sunday, at 8:30 p. m. WILLIAM TUSON, Rector.

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## The Forgotten Dot.

A wedding took place a short time back in a large town in the north of England, the service being conducted by a rather eccentric vicar. Two days after the ceremony he called at the house of the bridegroom's mother, but he happened to be out, so he said he would call again, which he did later on in the day, carrying two large green bags under his arm.

This time he found her in. So he began by asking them to clear the table a little. Then he opened the green bags, from which he took the registers. These he opened and in a most solemn tone said:

"Mrs. Williams, you have forgotten to dot the 'I' in Elizabeth."

## The Checkrein.

The overcheck bears about the same relation to the horse as the county jail does to human society. In case of the trotting horse it seems that some device must be used in order to compel a horse to carry its head out almost in a line with its neck, so that the curvature of the latter at the throat will not cramp the windpipe or shut off the horse's wind. In case of the running horse it naturally extends the head and neck without artificial aid. This is because the gallop is the horse's natural gait, while the trot is artificial when it comes to extreme speed. Hence the overcheck is needed. In the utility horse the checkrein is never needed.—Field and Farm.

## The Greenland Shark.

The Greenland shark is well known as a foe to whalers. It will follow a dead whale to the ship and show no fear of the men while they are engaged in cutting up the prey, biting out lumps from it as big as a man's head. Some times it happens that a man will fall off the slippery side of the whale close by the shark, but the latter never attacks him, being intent upon gorging itself with the flesh of the cetacean. The most severe wounds from thrusts of the whalers' knives will not persuade it to desist. This species of shark is often partly or wholly blinded by a parasitic worm three inches long which fastens itself at the corner of the eye and lives on its fluids.

## Her Sad Predicament.

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## The Florin.

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## A July Snowstorm.

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## Tricked to Explain It.

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Professor Studios—Er—um—get the material at a bargain sale?—Chicago News.

## Physical Formation of Mexico.

Mexico possesses a curious physical formation. Rising rapidly by a succession of terraces from the low, sandy coasts on the east and west, it culminates in a central plateau, running in a northwesterly and southeasterly direction and having an elevation varying from 4,000 to 8,000 feet above the sea. High above this plateau tower the snow capped crests of several volcanoes, most of which are extinct. Ten of them are over 12,000 feet in height, and three look down upon fertile valleys from altitudes of 17,782, 17,856 and 18,000. These are Popocatepetl, Orizaba and Ixtaccihuatl.

## The Value of Experience.

Young Father—I've just made a big deposit in a savings bank in trust for my baby boy. When he is twenty-one, I will hand him the bankbook, tell him the amount of the original deposit and let him see how things count up at compound interest.

Old Gentleman—Won't pay, I tried that. My boy drew the money and got married with it, and now I've got to support him and his wife and eight children.

## Cheese.

Cheese may generally be classified as hard and soft, and the different varieties are obtained by varying the proportions of cream. When made of cream alone and at a low temperature with little pressure, we have the soft cream cheeses. These must be used while comparatively fresh, as they soon decompose and become rancid.

## Ptolemy's Nuptial Yacht.

Ptolemy Philopater possessed a nuptial yacht, the Thalamagone, 312 feet long and 45 feet deep. A graceful gallery supported by curiously carved columns ran round the vessel, and within were temples of Venus and of Bacchus. Her masts were 100 feet high, and her sails and cordage of royal purple hue.

## A Mutton Chop.

Before cooking a mutton chop for an invalid plunge the meat into boiling water for about two minutes. By doing so the albumen in the meat forms a white covering on the outside and prevents the gravy from running out during the process of cooking.

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## An Innocent Query.

At a dinner party in England the host introduces to the favorable notice of the company, amid murmurs of admiration, a splendid truffled pheasant. "Isn't it a beauty?" he says. "Dr. So-and-so gave it to me; killed it himself."

"Ab! What was he treating it for?" says one of the guests.

## Life's Disappointments.

"There's a fire!" shouted the boy from the country. "Here come the engines! Let's follow them!"

"Twon't do no good," said the city cousin disconsolately. "The blamed firemen'll put it out before we can get there."—Chicago Tribune.

## Rebuffed.

"You have so much address I can hardly be expected to compete with you," said the letter to the envelope.

"Now, don't get excited," replied the envelope, "because you know you can't contain yourself."

## Jury Duty as He Found It.

"I juryd you were on jury duty all last week."

"Yes."

"Tedious, wasn't it?"

"It certainly was trying."—Philadelphia Record.

## Singular.

"My entire clerical force went out on strike yesterday," said Bluffman.

"That so?" replied the castle man. "What was his grievance?"—Philadelphia Press.











